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The Commission meet on March 27 in Billings and March 28 in Crow Agency. At its executive session in Billings, the Commission adopted Plan 300 for the Northcentral Region and Plan 300 for the Northeast region. Amendments to the plans were adopted for Glacier, Pondera, Toole, Phillips, Valley, and Roosevelt Counties. The plan as adopted will be available on the website by April 5 with an amended overview and a list of the adopted amendments.

Commissioner Barkus completed his service on the Commission with the executive session in Billings. Newly appointed Commissioner Jellison was able to join the Commission for the public hearings in Billings and Crow Agency. The Commission will accept written testimony on the proposals for the Southeast and Southcentral Regions until April 18, 2002, and will tentatively adopt plans for those regions on May 1, 2002. Regional maps of proposals for legislative districts for the Southeast and Southcentral Regions are available through the "Redistricting" link on the legislative website.

The Commission has adopted a working schedule through the summer.

May 1 Executive Session in Helena: Adopt Southeast/Central and Southcentral Regions

May 21-22 Southwest Region Public Hearings: Bozeman, Butte, Helena

June 17 Executive Session: Adopt Southwest Region

August 12-13 Western Region Public Hearings: Kalispell, Pablo, Missoula

September (date to be determined) Executive Session: Adopt Western Region

Please send all written testimony and correspondence to the Destructing and Apportionment Commission, PO Box 201706, Helena MT 59620. It will be copied and sent to each Commissioner and the originals retained for the Commission's file. Please check the Commission's website for more information at the "Redistricting" link on the Legislative Branch website at leg.mt.gov. For more information, contact Susan Byorth Fox, (406) 444-3064 or sfox@mt.gov.